

Name: Janet Black
Title: District Utility Engineering Specialist
Location: Right of Way Section, Engineering Division, Butte
Time with MDT: 12 years

Tell us about yourself...

I was born and raised in Glasgow, Montana. I enjoy fishing, hunting, and gardening, basically anything outdoors as well as scrapbooking and crafts. I have 2 sons and 2 daughters and am going to be a grandma for the first time in October.

My first state job was at the Galen State Hospital. I have my Associates Degree as a Civil Engineer Tech. I have worked in the construction field for 12 years starting as a survey aide and moving up to a Construction Engineer Tech IV prior to my current position as a Utility Agent.

A typical day includes...

My duties include issuing permits for utility companies to be in the state right of way as well as inspecting the work to make sure it was done properly. Upon completion of jobs I make sure that the site was properly cleaned up.

Qualities needed to do this job include...

You need to be able to communicate well with people, be flexible and be willing to learn new things.

My favorite things about working at MDT and why I stay here include...

I enjoy the work that I do; it is never the same thing everyday since there are a wide variety of tasks that I perform.